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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

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Title:

SECURITY FASTENER, SYSTEM FOR CONNECTION AND

METHOD THEREFOR

Art Unit:

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Conf. No.: Examiner: 4114 David B. Thomas

Action:

ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE

Date:

October 7, 2004

TO:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 18, 2004, Applicant hereby traverses the restriction requirement as it relates to a requirement of restriction between Inventions I and II (Claims 1-20 and 21-22).

REMARKS

The following Election with Traverse is made in response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2004 containing a restriction requirement pertaining to the above-identified patent application. The Examiner has set a shortened statutory period for response to this action to expire one (1) month from the mailing date of the communication (i.e. September 18, 2004, a Saturday, making this election due September 20, 2004).

In the Office Action, the Examiner maintains that restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Claims 1-20, drawn to a security fastener classified in class I. 411 subclass 337.